### Fort Worth Presbyterian Church



To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers a welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

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The front of the bulletin and the color of the minister's robe is currently gold and white, which signifies the Easter season - the season when the Church celebrates Christ's glory and triumph over death which was demonstrated in his resurrection.

The hardness of God is kinder than the softness of men, and his compulsion is our liberation.

C. S. Lewis

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Courtesy walker and wheelchair are available at the main entrance.

Hearing Assistive Devices (FM Receivers) are at the back sound booth.

† Congregation standing

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## Order of the Worship of God

— May 14, 2023 — Sixth Sunday of Easter

Welcome & Announcements

Prepare our Hearts for Worship

#### COME LET US WORSHIP

Chorus

Come let us worship and bow down

And kneel before the Lord our Maker

(Repeat)

He is our God He is our God
We are the people of His Pasture
He is our God He is our God
We are the sheep of His Hand *Chorus* 

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#### **ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE**

#### † The Gospel Greeting

Pastor: Blessed is the Kingdom of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy

Spirit.

People: Amen.

† The Call to Worship

Pastor: I will bless the LORD at all times; His praise shall continually be in

my mouth.

People: My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and

be glad.

Pastor: O magnify the LORD with me!

People: And let us exalt His name together!

Pastor: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed

From Psalm 34

#### † Hymn of Praise

ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME!

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angles prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.

Crown him, ye martyrs of your God, who from his altar call; extol the Stem of Jesse's rod, and crown him Lord of all; extol the Stem of Jesse's rod, and crown him Lord of all.

Ye see of Israel's chosen race, ye ransomed of the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all; hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget the wormwood and the gall, go, spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all go, spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all.

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, on this terrestrial ball to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all; to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall; we'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all; we'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all.

St. 1-5, Edward Perronet, 1779; alt./ Coronation C.M. rep. St. 6, John Rippon, 1787 / Oliver Holden, 1793

#### † Invocation

#### † A Psalm Reading

Pastor: Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain?

People: The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD and his Anointed, saying,

Pastor: "Let us burst their bonds apart and cast away their cords from us."

People: He who sits in the heavens laughs; the Lord holds them in derision.

Pastor: Then he will speak to them in his wrath, and terrify them in his fury, saying,

People: "As for me, I have set my King on Zion, my holy hill."

Pastor: I will tell of the decree: The LORD said to me, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you.

People: Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession.

Pastor: You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them to pieces like a potter's vessel.

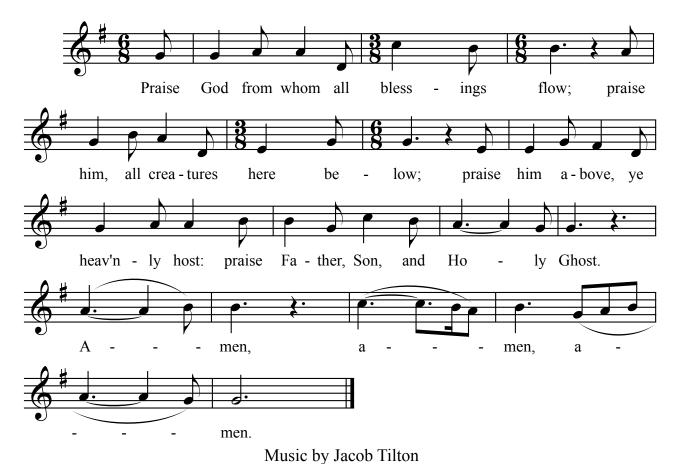
People: Now therefore, O kings of the earth, be wise; be warned, O rulers of the earth.

Pastor: Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

People: Kiss the Son, lest be angry, and you perish in the way, for his wrath is quickly kindled.

Pastor: Blessed are all who take refuge in him

† Doxology Tilton



Confession of Sin

Pastor: God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. Let us now confess our sins:

People: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from iniquity, and cleanse from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

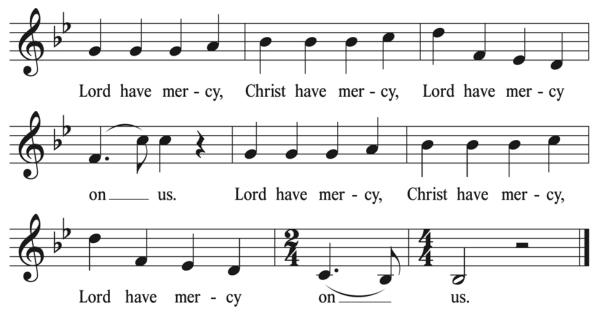
Psalm 51:1-3

Silent Confession

#### Song of Confession

#### LORD HAVE MERCY (FOR WHAT WE HAVE DONE)





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#### † Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, You in Your great mercy have promised forgiveness of sins for all who repent and trust in Your Son. In Christ, we have pardon and deliverance from sins. Therefore,

rest in Christ and give thanks.

#### All: Amen!

† The Greeting of Peace

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

At this time, please greet those around you with the peace of Christ.

#### † Song of Renewal

#### JESUS, I COME

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night, Jesus, I come; Jesus I come. Into Thy freedom, gladness and light, Jesus, I come to Thee. Out of my sickness into Thy health, Out of my wanting and into Thy wealth, Out of my sin and into Thyself, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come. Into the glorious gain of Thy cross, Jesus, I come to Thee. Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm, Out of life's storms and into Thy calm, Out of distress into jubilant psalm, Jesus, I come to Thee. Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come. Into Thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to Thee. Out of myself to dwell in Thy love, Out of despair into raptures above, Upward forever on wings like a dove, Jesus, I come to Thee.
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#### COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

#### Kingdom Moment

Jim Whittle

Equipping Leaders International

Prayer for Covenant Children

May/June

Pastor:

Almighty Father, we praise and thank You for these covenant children whom You have given not only to their parents, but to this church family. We pray that You would bless them, keep them, cause Your face to shine upon them, and grant them Your peace. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### All: Hear our prayer.

Pastor:

Father, by Your Spirit, help them to see and always be drawn to the grace and beauty of Christ, their Lord and Savior. May they know and rest in His finished work on their behalf. May they know that they are loved and accepted by You, and because they are, their future is secure. Lord, in your mercy,

#### All: Hear our prayer.

Pastor:

Good Father, protect these children from the deception of the devil. Help them to see through his lie, his temptation that proclaims that self-centered autonomy is the way to freedom and happiness. By Your grace, may they know in the depths of their hearts that Jesus alone is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Give them courage to walk in Christ's way and not in the way of the world. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### All: Hear our prayer.

Pastor:

On this day as we pray for these children, we also thank You for the gift of mothers. We thank You for moms who are no longer with us, but whose memory remains. We thank You for moms of younger children and teenagers. Grant them physical and emotional strength to show their children the love of Christ. We also thank You and pray for mothers of adult children, knowing that each stage of mothering brings with it many joys and trials. Through the gift of motherhood show forth Your nurturing care for us, Your children. Lord, in Your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: And now let us pour out our hearts to our Heavenly Father in silence.

Common Prayer

Elder: Let us now join our voices praying:

All:

O God, You have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that, we loving you in all things, may rest in your promises, which exceed all that we can or ever will desire. Amen.

Morning Offering & KIWI Release

Children Pre-K through 2nd grade can now be dismissed for KIWI (Kids In Worship Instruction).

Teachers will meet the children in the foyer to take them to class.

After the sermon, their teachers will return them to worship where they may come directly to you, or you may meet them at the back of the auditorium.

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#### On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand



#### LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

#### The Reading of the Word

John 6:35-48a

[35] Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. [36] But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. [37] All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. [38] For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. [39] And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. [40] For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day."

[41] So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." [42] They said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" [43] Jesus answered them, "Do not grumble among yourselves. [44] No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. [45] It is written in the Prophets, 'And they will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me— [46] not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. [47] Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. [48] I am the bread of life.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

#### GRACE FOR THE MISSION

The Father's Gifts to Jesus

I will Lose None

The Father Draws Us

#### FEASTING AT GOD'S TABLE

The Celebration of Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is good, right, and our delight that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty,

Everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of Heaven we praise and magnify Your glorious name

evermore praising You and singing:



Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution

The Confession

Pastor: Christ our Passover was sacrificed for us!

People: Hallelujah!

Pastor: Let us proclaim the mystery of the Faith:

People: Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again. Hallelujah!

Pastor: And now our Holy Master, that with boldness and without

condemnation, we dare to call upon You, the Heavenly God, as our

Father, and say:

All: Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your

kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day, our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we

forgive those who sin against us, and lead us not into

temptation, but deliver us from evil; for Yours is the Kingdom

and the Power, and the Glory forever. Amen.

Pastor: The holy gifts of God for the holy people of God. Take them in

remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts

by faith and with thanksgiving. Let us now partake of the feast!

(Clear cups are wine and purple cups are grape juice,

Gluten/Dairy free wafers are individually wrapped)

Statements for Communion:

"The body of Christ for you."

"The blood of Christ for you."

"You have new life in Christ."

"You have full forgiveness in Christ."

#### **Understanding Holy Communion**

"For Christ our Passover has also been sacrificed for us, therefore, let us celebrate the feast." – 1 Corinthians 5:7-8

Because we believe the Table belongs to the Lord, it is vital that you come this morning on His terms:

- 1. You must be in communion with Jesus Christ by faith and repentance, trusting Him alone for your salvation.
  - 1 Corinthians 11:27-29
- 2. You must be in communion with your brothers and sisters in Christ. *Matthew 5:23-24; Ephesians 4:11-12*
- 3. You must be in communion with the church (any Bible-believing church) as a baptized member in good standing.
  - Matthew 18:15-18; Hebrews 13:17
- 4. Because we seriously heed Scripture's admonition in 1 Corinthians 11:28-29, we invite children who are ready to make a public profession of saving faith to complete the Communicants Class materials available at the book table, arrange a meeting with the elders, and thus become regular "communicants" at the Lord's Table. Contact Rebecca York at rebecca@fortworthpca.org.

"But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup." — 1 Corinthians 11:28-29

#### Prayers for Those Not Communing

For those searching for truth: Lord Jesus, You claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what You claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who You are. Give me the ability to follow You no matter what it might cost me. Give me an understanding for You that is coherent, convincing, and leads to the life that You promise. Amen.

For those who desire to profess faith in Christ: Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever believed, but through You, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank You for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that You have been raised from the dead and are now representing me at the Father's right hand in heaven, I turn from my sins and receive you as my savior. Amen.

A prayer for those struggling against sin: Lord Jesus, give me the ability to see in You the fulfillment of all my needs and desires, and help me to turn from every false source of satisfaction to feed on You, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely to me, and run with perseverance the race that You have set before me, looking only to You, the author and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

A prayer for covenant children who have not yet made a profession of faith: Lord Jesus, thank You for giving me the opportunity to grow up in a Christian family where I am surrounded by the good news of the gospel. Help me to grow in my understanding of who you are and what you have done for me on the cross. Help me learn what it means for me to turn from my sins and trust in you alone for my salvation. Teach me what it means to follow You as one of Your disciples. Amen.

#### GOING OUT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

#### † Song of Sending

#### **DEATH WAS ARRESTED**

Alone in my sorrow and dead in my sin Lost without hope with no place to begin Your love made a way to let mercy come in When death was arrested and my life began

Ash was redeemed only beauty remains
My orphan heart was given a name
My mourning grew quiet my feet rose to dance
When death was arrested and my life began

#### Chorus

Oh Your grace so free washes over me You have made me new now life begins with You It's Your endless love pouring down on us You have made us new now life begins with You

Released from my chains I'm a pris'ner no more My shame was a ransom He faithfully bore He cancelled my debt and He called me His friend When death was arrested and my life began *Chorus* 

Our Savior displayed on a criminal's cross
Darkness rejoiced as though Heaven had lost
But then Jesus arose with our freedom in hand
That's when death was arrested and my life began *Chorus* 

Oh we're free free forever we're free
Come join the song of all the redeemed
Yes we're free free forever amen
When death was arrested and my life began (Repeat)

When death was arrested and my life began When death was arrested and my life began

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#### † The Sending

Pastor: All our problems:

All: We send them to the cross of Christ.

Pastor: All our struggles:

All: We send them to the cross of Christ.

Pastor: All the devil's works:

All: We send them to the cross of Christ.

Pastor: All our hopes:

All: We set them on the risen Christ.

Pastor: In God's call to follow Him:

All: We rest in the reigning Christ.

† The Blessing

Pastor: Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our

Lord Jesus, the Great Shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through

Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever! Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Pastor: Go forth in the power of Jesus' resurrection!

Hebrews 13:20-21

#### Deacon of the Day

Andy Warren – May 14 Pete Cansick – May 21 Herb Haertner – May 28

#### Save the Date

May 19-20 – New Members Class June 4 – Congregational Meeting Ministry & Budget Report June 26-30 – Vacation Bible School

#### Information & Events

**Visitors:** Pick up visitor information at the visitor kiosk in the Fellowship Hall immediately following morning worship.

**Resurrection Prayer:** Guides are available on the fellowship hall table to guide your family devotion time during the liturgical season of Easter (to Pentecost Sunday).

Welcome our New Administrative Assistant: We are extremely pleased to announce that Life Basiyaka joined our staff on Monday, May 8. Please welcome her and help her feel at home as she takes up her new position.

Thank you for you gifts toward Cynthia's Memorial Garden Bench. The bench has been ordered and once received it will be installed near our garden entrance. The funds we received above the cost of the bench will be used for a college scholarship for a former Oakmont graduate.

**FWPC101, May 19 & 20:** Learn about FWPC's vision, purpose, ministries, service opportunities, fellowship opportunities, membership, and more. This Class will be led by Pastor Brandon on May 19th, 6:30pm-8:30pm in the Lecture Hall (dinner will be provided) and May 20th, 8:30am-12pm (continental breakfast will be served). Nursery is available UPON REQUEST. Sign up at fortworthpca.org/adult.

**Deacon & Elder Nominations This Month:** Nomination forms, including information on the Qualification of Deacons & Elders are available on the Fellowship Hall table. The Session urges each member to read over this material with prayer, as you consider who you might nominate. Place in the box located on the Fellowship Hall table

# Every Sunday in May on missions

MAY Tom Nachtergaele
The 18.26 Network

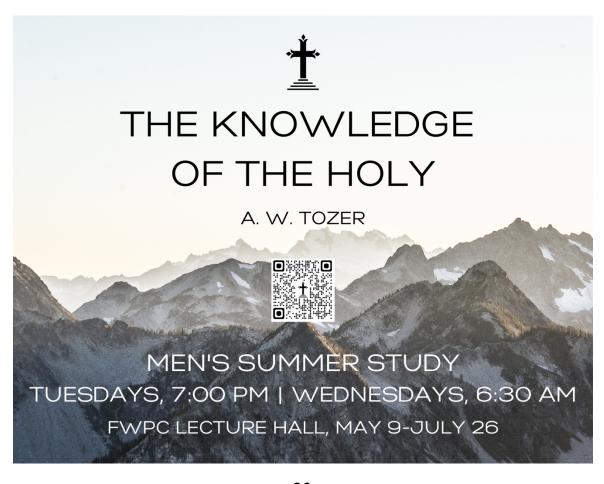
Jim Whittle

Equipping Leaders International

MAY Ben & Anna Graber
21 MTW – Munich, Germany

Andy Warren
Water for All, Foundations for Farming

#### LECTURE HALL | 9 AM



# Women's Summer Study THE WISDOM PYRAMID



#### **TUESDAY EVENINGS**

May 30 - June 27 | 7:00-8:30 PM Kim Cosgrove's 7912 Vista Ridge Drive, N Fort Worth, TX 76132

#### **WEDNESDAY MORNINGS**

May 31 - June 21 | 10:00-11:30 AM
Brynn Cosgrove's
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Childcare available at FWPC (9:45-11:45)

#### **WEDNESDAY EVENINGS**

May 31 - June 28 | 7:00-8:30 PM Janet Welch's 6009 Carmona Trail Fort Worth, TX 76123

#### THURSDAY MORNINGS

June 1 - 22 | 10:00-11:30 AM Amy Thom's 4201 Shannon Drive Fort Worth, TX 76116

Evenings meet five weeks, mornings meet four – come one or all! Register at **fortworthpca.org.** 



#### Financial Report

Fiscal year June 2022-May 2023

June – February	This Year	Last Year
General Fund Giving YTD	1,200,320	1,167,372
General Fund Expenses YTD	1,199,686	1,064,070
How we're doing YTD	668	102,901

Our Fiscal Year began June 1. Through the first eleven months of our fiscal year, our giving is \$668 more than our expenses. That is \$102,233 less than last year. As of April 30, we have \$267,998 cash on hand after liabilities.

Part of your faithful giving supports Hispanic American Ministries through our denomination's work of Mission to North America.

- NEW! Mobile Giving: Text the amount you want to give to 817-934-6447. The first time will take you through the setup. After that, text the amount you would like to give.
- ❖ If you would like to give online, you can sign up for ACH/Credit/Debit giving from our home page fortworthpca.org.
- ❖ If you would like to contribute stocks or securities from a brokerage account, you can contact Steve Fults 817-731-3300 and he can give you the instructions for these types of gifts.
- ❖ If you would like to include FWPC in your estate planning, you can contact Steve Fults with any questions you may have.

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